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This Preliminary Amendment is being filed to place the claims into conventional format, and to eliminate improper multiple dependency.

Favorable action is respectfully solicited.

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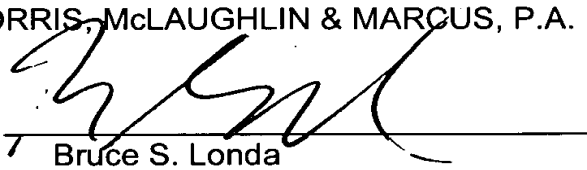
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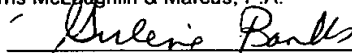
  
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MARKED-UP COPIES OF AMENDED CLAIMS,  
SHOWING CHANGES RELATIVE TO PREVIOUS VERSION

Claim 7 (amended). Rotary press according to [Claims 1, 2 and 6] Claim 1, wherein the interacting zones (1, 29) of the shell surface and the external component (33) are designed as serration or as friction surfaces.

Claim 11 (amended). Rotary press according to [Claims 8 to 10] Claim 8, wherein the zone (29) of the external component (33) indicates several spring elements (37), lying one behind the other in the movement direction of the punch (6, 7) and arranged in a comb-like manner.